

House Resolution 943

By: Representatives Drenner of the 86th, Watson of the 91st, Williams of the 89th, Mitchell of the 88th, Abrams of the 84th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the catastrophic events in Blacksburg, Virginia; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, on April 16, 2007, the peaceful campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and
3 State University (Virginia Tech) was rocked by gunfire which resulted in the tragic and
4 untimely deaths of more than 30 innocent people and the injury of countless others; and

5 WHEREAS, these senseless shootings have shocked and horrified the nation and left the
6 quiet community of Blacksburg in a state of mourning as all try to find answers to a disaster
7 which is being called the deadliest shooting rampage in American history; and

8 WHEREAS, although there are simply no words adequate to assuage the anguish which the
9 untimely passing of these tragic victims has caused in the hearts and lives of their families
10 and friends, the thoughts, condolences, and prayers of all Georgians go out to the victims,
11 their families, and to Virginia Tech in the hope that healing of hearts and spirits may
12 somehow begin to lessen the pain of the chaos of that terrible morning.

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
14 the members of this body express their deepest and most profound regret at the tragic and
15 untimely deaths and unfortunate injury of so many students and professors of the Virginia
16 Tech family.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
18 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Charles W. Steger, president
19 of Virginia Tech.